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Via E-Mail

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Re: MUR 7049

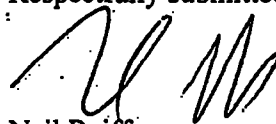
Dear Mr. Jordan:

I serve as counsel for the Alaska Democratic Party and Cyndi Cieslak, in her official capacity as Treasurer (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "ADP").

I write to respond to a complaint filed against the ADP by Jed Whittaker. In his mostly rambling complaint, Mr. Whittaker appears to be aggrieved by the process of eligibility of the ADP's nominee for United States Senate in 2016. Of course, the issues addressed in Mr. Whittaker's complaint are solely the province of Alaska election law and there is not a single allegation made in Mr. Whittaker's complaint that relates to federal campaign finance law or any regulation promulgated by the Federal Election Commission. A proper complaint filed with the FEC must "[C]learly recite facts that show specific violations under the Commission's jurisdiction." FEC Brochure "Filing a Complaint" (Accessed at <http://www.fec.gov/pages/brochures/complain.shtml#search=proper%20complaint> on May 3, 2016).

Mr. Whittaker's complaint does not allege any fact that closely relates to federal campaign finance law or any other law within the FEC's jurisdiction as it pertains to the ADP and the ADP should never have been served with this complaint.¹ Therefore, the Commission must immediately determine that this complaint has no merit and dismiss this matter.

Respectfully submitted,



Neil Reiff
Counsel for the Alaska Democratic Party
and Cyndi Cieslak, in her official capacity as
Treasurer

¹ The only statement in this complaint that closely resembles an allegation of campaign finance law relates to Margaret Stock, a candidate for United States Senate. Mr. Whittaker appears to imply that Ms. Stock failed to timely reports with the FEC. However, a review of the FEC's website shows a timely filed April Quarterly Report by Ms. Stock on April 15, 2016. Therefore, any implied claim with regards to Ms. Stock appears to have no merit as well.



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